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SUBJECT: EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO CHANCERY ROOF

1. FOLLOWING HEAVY RAINS LAST WEEKEND, THE CHANCERY ROOF BEGAN LEAKING IN AT LEAST 4 PLACES CAUSING WATER DAMAGE TO SCATTERED AREAS ON THE 7TH FLOOR OF THE CHANCERY. INSPECTION REVEALS THE ROOF MUST BE COMPLETELY REDONE ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS.

2. PRESENT ROOFING MATERIAL IS CONCRETE BASE COVERED WITH LAYER OF SAND TOPPED BY CATALONIAN RED CERAMIC TILE, APPROXIMATELY 4 INCH SQUARES.

3. POSSIBILITIES FOR RECOVERING ROOF ARE:

A) COVER EXISTING TILE WITH 1/2 HOT ASPHALT, COVERED BY 4 COATS OF ROOFING PAPER, FOLLOWING BY ANOTHER 1/2 INCH HOT ASPHALT, COVERED BY LOOSE GRAVEL. GUARANTEED FOR 3 YEARS. ESTIMATED COST: \$4,500.

B) COVER EXISTING TILE ROOF WITH 1/2 INCH HOT ASPHALT, COVERED WITH FOUR LAYERS ROOFING PAPER, THEN A LAYER OF EXPANDED METAL (CHECKEN) WIRE, WITH 1/2 INCH CONCRETE TOPPING COVERED BY CATALONIAN TILE TO MATCH EXISTING SURFACE. ESTIMATED COST: \$9,000 WE WILL ASK FOR 10 YEAR GUARANTEE.

4. THE EMBASSY PREFERS PROPOSAL B AND WILL PROCEED ON THAT BASIS.

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5. THE EMBASSY WAS AWARE OF THE NEED TO EVENTUALLY

RECOVER THE CHANCERY ROOF AND INCLUDED \$9,000 FOR
THIS PURPOSE IN THE SUMMARY FIGURES FOR ITS 77
BUILDINGS BUDGET. THE EMBASSY WILL LET THE CONTRACT
AS SOON AS BIDS AND SPECIFICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE.
AND ASKS THAT THE \$9,000 BE INCLUDED IN THE POST
M&R ALLOTMENT WHEN ISSUED.
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